

Isakson	Miller (NC)	Schakowsky
Israel	Miller, Gary	Schiff
Issa	Miller, George	Schrock
Istook	Mollohan	Scott (GA)
Jackson (IL)	Moore	Scott (VA)
Jackson-Lee	Moran (KS)	Sensenbrenner
(TX)	Moran (VA)	Serrano
Janklow	Murphy	Sessions
Jefferson	Murtha	Shadegg
Jenkins	Musgrave	Shaw
John	Myrick	Shays
Johnson (CT)	Nadler	Sherman
Johnson (IL)	Napolitano	Sherwood
Johnson, E. B.	Neal (MA)	Shimkus
Johnson, Sam	Nethercutt	Shuster
Jones (NC)	Ney	Simmons
Kanjorski	Northup	Simpson
Kaptur	Norwood	Skeltan
Keller	Nunes	Slaughter
Kelly	Nussle	Smith (MI)
Kennedy (MN)	Oberstar	Smith (NJ)
Kildee	Obey	Smith (TX)
Kilpatrick	Olver	Smith (WA)
Kind	Ortiz	Solis
King (IA)	Osborne	Souder
King (NY)	Ose	Spratt
Kingston	Otter	Stark
Kirk	Owens	Stearns
Klecza	Oxley	Stenholm
Kline	Pallone	Strickland
Knollenberg	Pascarell	Stupak
Kolbe	Pastor	Sullivan
Kucinich	Paul	Sweeney
LaHood	Payne	Tancred
Lampson	Pearce	Tanner
Langevin	Pelosi	Tauscher
Lantos	Pence	Tauzin
Larsen (WA)	Peterson (PA)	Taylor (MS)
Larson (CT)	Petri	Taylor (NC)
Latham	Pickering	Terry
LaTourette	Pitts	Thomas
Leach	Platts	Thompson (CA)
Lee	Pommo	Thompson (MS)
Levin	Pomeroy	Thornberry
Lewis (GA)	Porter	Tiahrt
Lewis (KY)	Portman	Tiberi
Linder	Price (NC)	Tierney
LoBiondo	Pryce (OH)	Toomey
Lofgren	Putnam	Towns
Lowey	Quinn	Turner (OH)
Lucas (KY)	Radanovich	Turner (TX)
Lucas (OK)	Rahall	Udall (CO)
Lynch	Ramstad	Udall (NM)
Majette	Rangel	Upton
Maloney	Regula	Van Hollen
Manzullo	Rehberg	Velazquez
Markey	Renzi	Visclosky
Marshall	Reyes	Vitter
Matheson	Reynolds	Walden (OR)
Matsui	Rodriguez	Walsh
McCarthy (MO)	Rogers (AL)	Wamp
McCarthy (NY)	Rogers (KY)	Waters
McCollum	Rogers (MI)	Watson
McCotter	Rohrabacher	Watt
McCrery	Ros-Lehtinen	Waxman
McGovern	Ross	Weiner
McHugh	Rothman	Weldon (FL)
McInnis	Roybal-Allard	Weldon (PA)
McIntyre	Royce	Weller
McKeon	Ruppersberger	Wexler
McNulty	Ryan (OH)	Whitfield
Meehan	Ryan (WI)	Wicker
Meek (FL)	Sabo	Wilson (NM)
Meeks (NY)	Sanchez, Linda	Wilson (SC)
Menendez	T.	Wolf
Mica	Sanchez, Loretta	Woolsey
Michaud	Sanders	Wu
Miller (FL)	Sandlin	Wynn
Miller (MI)	Saxton	Young (AK)

## NOT VOTING—26

Bass	Gordon	Lipinski
Brown (OH)	Gutierrez	McDermott
Carson (IN)	Hastings (WA)	Millender
Clyburn	Hinchey	McDonald
Combest	Hoeffel	Peterson (MN)
Davis (IL)	Hoolley (OR)	Rush
Fattah	Jones (OH)	Ryun (KS)
Galleghy	Kennedy (RI)	Snyder
Gephardt	Lewis (CA)	Young (FL)

## ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will remind the Members there are less than 2 minutes remaining in this vote.

□ 1857

So (two-thirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended and the concurrent resolution was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

## PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mrs. JONES of Ohio. Mr. Speaker, on roll-call Nos. 33 and 34, H. Res. 46 and H. Con. Res. 40, I was on the hill but my pager was inoperable. I would have voted "yes" on both resolutions.

□ 1900

## IN SUPPORT OF THE PRESIDENT'S ECONOMIC PLAN

(Mrs. MILLER of Michigan asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Mrs. MILLER of Michigan. Mr. Speaker, I speak out today in support of the President's economic plan. This plan is about three things: number one, jobs; number two, jobs; number three, jobs.

If you do not have a job and you want a job, the President's plan is for you. If you do have a job and you want a better job, the President's plan is for you.

Some have said that this plan is only for the rich because it will eliminate double taxation on dividends. They say that because they are stuck in an economic time warp and they refuse to understand the economic realities of today. Double taxation is un-American, and our seniors need this tax break so that their retirement income can provide them with security and stability.

The President's plan provides an economic stimulus for every American. It enacts tax policy that is pro-growth, pro-opportunity, and, most importantly, pro-family, and I am talking about the American family, every single one of them.

I urge my colleagues not to give in to the hand-wringers and to support this bold plan for America's future.

## TAX FAIRNESS

(Mr. GREEN of Texas asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. GREEN of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I do not normally give 1 minutes any more, but after hearing my colleague from the Republican side talk about it, I shall.

I was home most of last week and talked with my constituents about the President's proposed tax cut. One of the things that I think bothers a lot of folks is if we eliminate the so-called double taxation, we have double taxation in lots of areas in our country, but if we eliminate double taxation,

the double taxation is a good issue, but it is just patently wrong for a person in my district who makes \$60,000 a year working at a chemical plant or refinery, because they work 40 hours a week and maybe overtime to pay their tax rates. For somebody to sit home and clip coupons because maybe they inherited that and they make \$60,000 a year, to say I am sorry, you do not have to pay taxes on that is wrong. Income is income.

Now, I agree that I would like to increase the dividend deduction so we can help smaller investors, but, again, abolishing the dividend tax, which is half the President's plan, is just patently wrong for the American people.

## BALANCING THE COST OF WAR AGAINST THE COST OF TAX REDUCTION

(Mr. MORAN of Virginia asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. MORAN of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, the biggest problem with the tax cut that President Bush has proposed is not that it is going to require over \$4 trillion in lost Federal revenue over the next decade, it is not that it is going to create more than a \$2 trillion deficit, and it is not that the majority of it is going to go to those who need it the least, the biggest problem is that we do not know what the cost of the war is.

We have gone down this road before and we wound up quadrupling the public debt. The responsible thing to do is to hold off on tax cuts until we know what the cost of this conflict in Iraq will amount to, until we have some sense of how long we are going to have to stay there, until we have some sense of what it will cost to reconstruct that country, until we have some sense of what it will cost to establish a stable democracy before we get out of there and allow it to return to the kind of despotic leadership that it is subject to today.

So let us be prudent. Let us hold off on tax cuts. If we must, we should proceed with a prudent foreign policy with regard to the Middle East. Let us rid the world of weapons of mass destruction to the extent we can do so, but let us not break the bank in the United States and pass the bill on to our children.

Let us be prudent and fiscally responsible. Let us put off tax cuts until we know what kind of expense we are undertaking with regard to the war in Iraq.

## SPECIAL ORDERS

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. WHITFIELD). Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 7, 2003, and under a previous order of the House, the following Members will be recognized for 5 minutes each.

PUBLICATION OF THE RULES OF  
THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERN-  
MENT REFORM 108TH CONGRESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Virginia (Mr. TOM DAVIS) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. TOM DAVIS of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to clause 2(a)(2) of Rule XI of the Rules of the House of Representatives, I hereby submit the rules of the Committee on Government Reform for the 108th Congress for publication in the Congressional Record. These rules were adopted by the Committee on February 13, 2003, in a meeting that was open to the public.

1. RULES OF THE COMMITTEE ON  
GOVERNMENT REFORM  
U.S. House of Representatives  
108th Congress

Rule XI, clause 1(a)(1)(A) of the House of Representatives provides:

Except as provided in subdivision (B), the Rules of the House are the rules of its committees and subcommittees so far as applicable.

(B) A motion to recess from day to day, and a motion to dispense with the first reading (in full) of a bill or resolution, if printed copies are available, each shall be privileged in committees and subcommittees and shall be decided without debate.

Rule XI, clause 2(a)(1) of the House of Representatives provides, in part:

Each standing committee shall adopt written rules governing its procedure. \* \* \*

In accordance with this, the Committee on Government Reform, on February 13, 2003, adopted the rules of the committee:

Rule 1.—Application of Rules

Except where the terms "full committee" and "subcommittee" are specifically referred to, the following rules shall apply to the Committee on Government Reform and its subcommittees as well as to the respective chairmen.

[See House Rule XI, 1.]

Rule 2.—Meetings

The regular meetings of the full committee shall be held on the second Tuesday of each month at 10 a.m., when the House is in session. The chairman is authorized to dispense with a regular meeting or to change the date thereof, and to call and convene additional meetings, when circumstances warrant. A special meeting of the committee may be requested by members of the committee following the provisions of House Rule XI, clause 2(c)(2). Subcommittees shall meet at the call of the subcommittee chairmen. Every member of the committee or the appropriate subcommittee, unless prevented by unusual circumstances, shall be provided with a memorandum at least three calendar days before each meeting or hearing explaining (1) the purpose of the meeting or hearing; and (2) the names, titles, background and reasons for appearance of any witnesses. The ranking minority member shall be responsible for providing the same information on witnesses whom the minority may request.

[See House Rule XI, 2 (b) and (c).]

Rule 3.—Quorums

A majority of the members of the committee shall form a quorum, except that two members shall constitute a quorum for taking testimony and receiving evidence, and one-third of the members shall form a quorum for taking any action other than the reporting of a measure or recommendation. If the chairman is not present at any meeting of the committee or subcommittee, the ranking member of the majority party on

the committee or subcommittee who is present shall preside at that meeting.

[See House Rule XI, 2(h).]

Rule 4.—Committee Reports

Bills and resolutions approved by the committee shall be reported by the chairman following House Rule XIII, clauses 2-4.

A proposed report shall not be considered in subcommittee or full committee unless the proposed report has been available to the members of such subcommittee or full committee for at least three calendar days (excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays, unless the House is in session on such days) before consideration of such proposed report in subcommittee or full committee. Any report will be considered as read if available to the members at least 24 hours before consideration, excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays unless the House is in session on such days. If hearings have been held on the matter reported upon, every reasonable effort shall be made to have such hearings available to the members of the subcommittee or full committee before the consideration of the proposed report in such subcommittee or full committee. Every investigative report shall be approved by a majority vote of the committee at a meeting at which a quorum is present.

Supplemental, minority, or additional views may be filed following House Rule XI, clause 2(l) and Rule XIII, clause 3(a)(l). The time allowed for filing such views shall be three calendar days, beginning on the day of notice, but excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays (unless the House is in session on such a day), unless the committee agrees to a different time, but agreement on a shorter time shall require the concurrence of each member seeking to file such views.

An investigative or oversight report may be filed after sine die adjournment of the last regular session of Congress, provided that if a member gives timely notice of intention to file supplemental, minority or additional views, that member shall be entitled to not less than seven calendar days in which to submit such views for inclusion with the report.

Only those reports approved by a majority vote of the committee may be ordered printed, unless otherwise required by the Rules of the House of Representatives.

Rule 5.—Proxy Votes

In accordance with the Rules of the House of Representatives, members may not vote by proxy on any measure or matter before the committee or any subcommittee.

[See House Rule XI, 2(f).]

Rule 6.—Record Votes

A record vote of the members may be had upon the request of any member upon approval of a one-fifth vote of the members present.

Rule 7.—Record of Committee Actions

The committee staff shall maintain in the committee offices a complete record of committee actions from the current Congress including a record of the rollcall votes taken at committee business meetings. The original records, or true copies thereof, as appropriate, shall be available for public inspection whenever the committee offices are open for public business. The staff shall assure that such original records are preserved with no unauthorized alteration, additions, or defacement.

[See House Rule XI, 2(e).]

Rule 8.—Subcommittees; Referrals

There shall be seven subcommittees with appropriate party ratios that shall have fixed jurisdictions. Bills, resolutions, and other matters shall be referred by the chairman to subcommittees within two weeks for

consideration or investigation in accordance with their fixed jurisdictions. Where the subject matter of the referral involves the jurisdiction of more than one subcommittee or does not fall within any previously assigned jurisdiction, the chairman shall refer the matter as he may deem advisable. Bills, resolutions, and other matters referred to subcommittees may be reassigned by the chairman when, in his judgement, the subcommittee is not able to complete its work or cannot reach agreement therein. In a subcommittee having an even number of members, if there is a tie vote with all members voting on any measure, the measure shall be placed on the agenda for full committee consideration as if it had been ordered reported by the subcommittee without recommendation. This provision shall not preclude further action on the measure by the subcommittee.

Rule 9.—Ex Officio Members

The chairman and the ranking minority member of the committee shall be ex officio members of all subcommittees. They are authorized to vote on subcommittee matters; but, unless they are regular members of the subcommittee, they shall not be counted in determining a subcommittee quorum other than a quorum for taking testimony.

Rule 10.—Staff

Except as otherwise provided by House Rule X, clauses 6, 7 and 9, the chairman of the full committee shall have the authority to hire and discharge employees of the professional and clerical staff of the full committee and of subcommittees.

Rule 11.—Staff Direction

Except as otherwise provided by House Rule X, clauses 6, 7 and 9, the staff of the committee shall be subject to the direction of the chairman of the full committee and shall perform such duties as he may assign.

Rule 12.—Hearing Dates and Witnesses

The chairman of the full committee will announce the date, place, and subject matter of all hearings at least one week before the commencement of any hearings, unless he determines, with the concurrence of the ranking minority member, or the committee determines by a vote, that there is good cause to begin such hearings sooner. So that the chairman of the full committee may coordinate the committee facilities and hearings plans, each subcommittee chairman shall notify him of any hearing plans at least two weeks before the date of commencement of hearings, including the date, place, subject matter, and the names of witnesses, willing and unwilling, who would be called to testify, including, to the extent he is advised thereof, witnesses whom the minority members may request. The minority members shall supply the names of witnesses they intend to call to the chairman of the full committee or subcommittee at the earliest possible date. Witnesses appearing before the committee shall so far as practicable, submit written statements at least 24 hours before their appearance and, when appearing in a non-governmental capacity, provide a curriculum vitae and a listing of any Federal Government grants and contracts received in the previous fiscal year.

[See House Rules XI, 2 (g)(3), (g)(4), (j) and (k).]

Rule 13.—Open Meetings

Meetings for the transaction of business and hearings of the committee shall be open to the public or closed in accordance with Rule XI of the House of Representatives.

[See House Rules XI, 2 (g) and (k).]

Rule 14.—Five-Minute Rule

(1) A committee member may question a witness only when recognized by the chairman for that purpose. In accordance with